

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

#7  
D  
2/12/03  
RDS



Applicant : Michael M. Ramarge et al. Art Unit : 2832  
Serial No. : 09/940,539 Examiner : Karl Easthom  
Filed : August 29, 2001  
Title : MECHANICAL REINFORCEMENT TO IMPROVE HIGH CURRENT, SHORT DURATION WITHSTAND OF A MONOLITHIC DISK OR BONDED DISK STACK

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Copies of the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449 are enclosed.

This statement is being filed after a first Office action on the merits, but before receipt of a final Office action or a Notice of Allowance. A check for \$180 in payment of the late submission fee of §1.17(p) is enclosed. Please apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: February 5, 2003

Scott R. Boalick  
Scott R. Boalick  
Reg. No. 42,337

Fish & Richardson P.C.  
1425 K Street, N.W.  
11th Floor  
Washington, DC 20005-3500  
Telephone: (202) 783-5070  
Facsimile: (202) 783-2331

40140876.doc

~~02/06/2003 KZEWDIE 00000033 09940539~~  
~~01 FC:1202 216.00 DP~~

**BEST AVAILABLE COPY**

02/06/2003 KZEWDIE 00000033 09940539  
02 FC:1806 180.00 DP